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TEAM VISIT

REF: A) MOSCOW 9125; B) STATE 114793; C) STATE 167343

1. REQUEST EMBASSY PASS FOLLOWING LETTER TO A.O.
KUDRYAVTSEV, CHIEF, DEPARTMENT OF URBAN PLANNING,
STATE COMMITTEE FOR CIVIL CONSTRUCTION AND ARCHITECTURE
FROM MICHAEL H. MOSKOW, ASSISTANT SECRETARY FOR POLICY
DEVELOPMENT AND RESEARCH, HUD.

2. "DEAR MR. KUDRYAVTSEV: THANK YOU FOR YOUR 16 JULY LETTER
INFORMING US OF YOUR WISH TO SEND A 3-MAN SOLID WASTE DELE-
GATION TO THE US FOR 12 DAYS BEGINNING SEPTEMBER 15, 1974
AND FOR YOUR SUGGESTIONS CONCERNING THEIR PROGRAM. WE REGRET
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THAT THE DELEGATION HAS CHANGED ITS MIND (REF. A) AND WILL

NOT BE ABLE TO ATTEND THE AMERICAN PUBLIC WORKS ASSOCIATION CONGRESS AND EQUIPMENT SHOW IN CANADA BECAUSE THE SPECIALISTS YOUR DELEGATION SHOULD MEET WILL BE AT THE CONGRESS RATHER THAN IN THEIR OFFICES DURING THE PERIOD YOU PROPOSE FOR THE VISIT.

3. FOR THIS REASON AND BECAUSE OF OTHER CONFLICTING PROGRAM COMMITMENTS, MR. VAL GREY, WHO IS, AS YOU KNOW, CHAIRMAN OF THE US SUB-GROUP ON SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT, HAS ASKED ME TO REQUEST THAT THE DELEGATION POSTPONE ITS ARRIVAL UNTIL OCTOBER 6. WE HOPE THIS DATE WILL BE CONVENIENT FOR YOU AS WE WISH, AS I AM SURE YOU DO, TO COMPLETE AS MANY EXCHANGES AS POSSIBLE PRIOR TO THE OCTOBER MEETING OF THE JOINT WORKING GROUP.

4. MR. GREY WOULD LIKE YOU TO KNOW THAT YOUR SUGGESTIONS CONCERNING THE DELEGATION'S PROGRAM WERE EXTREMELY HELPFUL. AS YOU WILL NOTE FROM THE ATTACHED PROGRAM, THE ONLY CHANGES HE HAS MADE HAVE BEEN TO ALLOW FOR TRAVEL TIME AND TO PROVIDE THE BEST POSSIBLE CURRENT SOURCES FOR THE INTERESTS YOU EXPRESSED.

5. "WE SHOULD LIKE TO POINT OUT, HOWEVER, THAT THE PROGRAM DEALS ONLY WITH WORKING DAYS (SATURDAYS AND SUNDAYS WILL BE FREE OR FOR TRAVEL); THAT IT STILL IS A VERY TIGHT PROGRAM; AND THAT YOU MAY, THEREFORE, WISH TO ELIMINATE SOME PARTS OF IT. IF YOU DO WISH TO SUGGEST CHANGES, WE SHOULD APPRECIATE IT IF YOU WOULD INFORM THE US EMBASSY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE SO THAT MR. GREY CAN MAKE THE NECESSARY ARRANGEMENTS.

6. "I AM GLAD THAT YOU HAVE RECOVERED FROM YOUR ILLNESS. MR. GREY AND I LOOK FORWARD TO A SATISFACTORY VISIT BY THE SOVIET DELEGATION. WITH BEST REGARDS, MICHAEL H. MOSKOW, CHAIRMAN, US WORKING GROUP ON THE ENHANCEMENT OF THE URBAN ENVIRONMENT."

7. ATTACHEMENT: PROPOSED PROGRAM FOR SOVIET TOPIC IV-4 DELEGATION. OCTOBER 6, ARRIVAL NEW YORK/WASHINGTON, D.C.; UNCLASSIFIED

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OCT. 7, WASHINGTON, D.C., MEETING WITH US SUB-GROUP FOR BRIEFING ON US SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT AND FULL DETAILS OF PROGRAM; OCT. 8, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., VISIT COMBUSTION POWER COMPANY'S CPU-400 AT MENLO PARK AND NEARBY TRANSFER STATION; OCT. 9, LOS ANGELESE, CAL., VISIT GARRETT PYROLYSIS PILOT PLANT IN LA VERNE; OCT. 10, SCOTTSDALE, ARIZ., VISIT CITY COLLECTION OPERATIONS; OCT. 11, CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, VISIT NORTHWEST CHICAGO INCINERATOR; OCT. 12 AND 13, FREE

AND TRAVEL TO MADISON, WISCONSIN; OCT. 14, MADISON, WISCONSIN,
VISIT SANITARY LANDFILL USING MILLED WASTES; OCT. 15, ST.
PAUL, MINN., VISIT LANDFILL USING BALED WASTES;
OCT. 16, COLUMBUS, OHIO, VISIT BATTELLE MEMORIAL INSTITUTE
FOR DISCUSSIONS ON INCINERATION OF WASTES INCLUDING
PLASTICS; OCT. 17, HARRISBURG, PENNA., VISIT GARRETT-
FLEMING COMPANY WATER-WALL INCINERATOR USING ELECTRO-STATIC
PRECIPITATOR AND RECOVERY OF RESIDUE; OCT. 18, WASHINGTON,
D.C., VISIT LOCAL INCINERATOR USING ELECTRO-STATIC
PRECIPITATORS, AND POSSIBLY LORTON LANDFILL, AND
FINAL MEETING WITH US SUB-GROUP; OCT. 19 AND 20, FREE
AND DEPART FOR USSR.

8. ACTION REQUESTED: EMBASSY PLEASE PASS ABOVE TO A.O.
KUDRYAVTSEV AND ELICIT PROMPT REPLY TO THIS CABLE AND
TO US PROPOSAL THAT SOVIET URBAN TRANSPORTATION TEAM VISIT
US LAST HALF OF SEPTEMBER (REF. C). KISSINGER

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